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Union accepts offer; lockout averted

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Editor

Rather than face an extended lockout, the union representing most county workers has decided to accept the county's four-year contract offer.

But the president of CUPE Local 1960 says last Tuesday night's 25-4 vote was made "through much duress."

Don Toews said accepting the offer "is clearly a better alternative than any job action the employer may or may not have imposed on its employees."

Union spokesman Brian Mulholland says "Given the time of year and the type of services we deliver, [a lockout] wouldn't be opportune for us. We could have been locked out for a long period of time."

Most CUPE members are roads workers. If the contract talks had broken down in winter, when the roads need plowing, ratepayers would have felt the impact of a lock out. But in summer, when most of the projects that local crews work on are smaller, their absence won't be as immediately noticeable.

Toews says that while the county says it respects and values the union members' work, the words are hollow in light of the breakdown in contract

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GREG HOEKSTRA/Echo



A hug a day

Ross Horne, Jean Horne, and June Stewart (from left) hug themselves during a new exercise routine offered by the Victorian Order of Nurses (VON) and the Echo Hills Apartment complex. The classes are described as a "gentle, comfortable, go at your own pace" exercise program that aims to help seniors strengthen muscles and regain balance. Classes are offered weekly in both Haliburton and Minden. For more photos and full story see pages 24 and 25.

Receiver finds potential new owner for W3 Connex

GREG HOEKSTRA

Staff Reporter

Those who expressed interest in high speed Internet service from W3 Connex shouldn't hang up on the company just yet.

After months of losing money W3 Connex filed for receivership in mid-April but now the company, and all its assets in

Haliburton County, are likely to be purchased within the next few weeks.

Jerry Henechowicz, vice president of the Fuller Landau Group Ltd., said his company was appointed as the receiver for W3 Connex by the Ontario Superior Court of Justice last month. The court order instructed Fuller Landau to take possession and

control of W3 and continue its operations until a new buyer can be found.

In an interview with the *Echo* Henechowicz said it's important to note that the receivership was initiated and requested by the company itself, in order to protect its holdings and keep the operation afloat until a new buyer can be found.

"Basically, the company's secured creditors were very concerned about the financial resources of W3," Henechowicz said. "[Receivership] is a protective and conservatory measure by the secure creditors to prevent anything more disastrous from happening to W3, such as the network going dark."

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Zilstra and Murray Fearrey join Subway employees and HHHSF executive director Dale Walker at the Haliburton location. As of 5 p.m. Monday night the store had sold more than 500 sandwiches.

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Brenda Robinson walks on the track she got to know very well during last year's Relay For Life. She spent 45 minutes of every hour either on the track or on her feet talking to people. Early diagnosis made it easier for her to beat breast cancer so she urges all women to not put off having an annual mammogram.

MATT JAMES/Echo

Relay for Life more than just a fundraiser

MATT JAMES

Staff Reporter

Even though she'd already lost her father to cancer, Brenda Robinson wasn't thinking about the disease when she had her annual mammogram on September 11, 2003.

A few minutes later, it was all she could think about.

"The first thing I thought was 'Why me?'" says Robinson, sitting on a small, brown office chair in her home in Haliburton. "I thought, 'I'm a fairly good person, why couldn't it be some awful person somewhere?'"

After the disbelief came the fear.

"I was terrified, absolutely terrified," she says

She was terrified of dying, "which is rather strange because I'm a strong Christian," she says. "I've a very strong faith but I just figured if the operation didn't kill me the cancer would. But I'm a survivor."

Robinson considers herself lucky to have survived breast cancer. She said that getting an annual mammogram enabled doctors to catch her cancer early enough to require radiation only.

"My tumour was so small and was caught so soon that I didn't qualify for

chemo, which I was grateful for."

Robinson first heard about Relay for Life last year at Hal High where she often fills in as a supply teacher. Her friend and co-worker June Smith was leading a team in the overnight fundraising event for the Canadian Cancer Society and asked Robinson if she'd like to join in.

"I immediately got excited and thought this is something I should do," Robinson says.

She remembers hearing HHSS principal Gary Brohman talk on Canoe FM about giving back to the community.

"That's how I felt because the cancer society had been so supportive, and my family and friends had been so supportive, I really felt I needed to give back. So I collected over \$800 and stayed up for 12 hours!"

Not only was Robinson one of hundreds of participants but the 64-year-old retired teacher made it her own goal to be active for 45 minutes of every hour.

"I'm a goal-oriented person and whatever I do in life I always have goal, whether it's pulling weeds. I'll do this [interview] for an hour or I'm going to do this flowerbed, but there's always a goal."

She came up with the 45-minute goal after thinking about all the walking she

does with her dog Major (as in major pain in the butt.)

And, by and large, she succeeded. "Now some of those 45 minutes would be standing talking but I was still on my feet."

"Until about six o'clock in the morning, when they served breakfast that was my downfall," laughed Robinson.

The relay was a chance to socialize with some people she doesn't have the opportunity to see very much now that she's retired and she caught up with former students who are leading busy work lives of their own. She also got comfort from talking to other cancer survivors.

At the end of the 12 hours, every participant did the final victory lap. Even though she was tired, it was easy to find the energy.

"The victory lap is extremely emotional. I could hardly keep from crying. I'm choking up just now just thinking about it."

For those who are hesitating about taking part because they don't think they can stay awake overnight, Robinson says "Because so many live have been touched my cancer I think that staying up for 12 hours is a bit of a sacrifice for those who have not had cancer. Having gone through cancer, staying up staying up 12 hours is a minor sacrifice and my cancer was so

minor compared to so many other people because it was caught so soon.

"So stay up for 12 hours and walk and support those who have survived it."

This year's Relay for Life is Friday, June 13 at the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School. Robinson is able to participate only in the survivors' lap because she's attending a wedding the next day.

"I'm too old to party two nights in a row," she laughs.

Before she goes back to weeding her garden, Robinson wants to send a message to other women. "I would strongly encourage every woman to have a mammogram, not to put it off, not to say, 'Oh I'll do it next month or I'll do it next year.' Because I was diagnosed so early I didn't have to go through a lot of horrendous things. So when your time comes up to get the mammogram go and do it, don't put it off."

Reporter Matt James is a member of the Haliburton County Echo and Minden Times Relay for Life team, "Black and white and read all over." He's accepted Brenda Robinson's challenge to follow in her footsteps and keep active for 45 minutes every hour of the 12-hour event. You can sponsor the team, or any other team in the Haliburton Relay for Life, at www.cancer.ca/relay.

Not without a fight

FUME and Green Party join forces to combat uranium exploration

GREG HOEKSTRA

Staff Reporter

The battle against uranium exploration in Haliburton County gained momentum last weekend when the Green Party of Ontario and the group Fight Uranium Mining and Exploration (FUME) joined forces for a fundraising dinner.

The event, held at the Old Country House in Haliburton on Sunday, marked the first time the two groups had ever worked together, and they did so under the new name, The Haliburton County Anti-Uranium Coalition.

Local Green Party candidate Doug Smith, who organized the dinner, said the two groups will share the money raised at Sunday's dinner, some of which will be put toward efforts to rally cottagers to join the protest against uranium exploration.



GREG HOEKSTRA/Echo

On Sunday night, Wolfe Erlichman of the Community Coalition Against Mining Uranium, right, joined local opponent of uranium exploration at the Old Country House to help launch a letter-writing campaign: Christine Atrill and Robin Simpson of FUME and Green Party candidate Doug Smith.

"The mobilization of cottagers is extremely important, because then they go back to their home ridings across Ontario and stir up their MPPs," said Smith. "I've heard that on the Trent-Severn Waterway there are as many as 35,000 cottagers...so they hold tremendous weight not only here in Haliburton County, but across the province."

Robin Simpson and Christine Atrill, co-founders of FUME, agreed that getting cottagers on-side with their cause was of the utmost importance. The pair said FUME will be reaching out to cottagers this summer through presentations to area lake associations and a public information session in June.

"Our thrust this summer will be getting thousands of letters off to McGuinty, as well as the MPPs in cottagers' home ridings," said Simpson. "Doing that could potentially bring into the argument 30 to 35 more ridings, and we estimate 90 per cent of cottagers come from Liberal ridings."

"We spent the winter basically gathering local support so we already have a strong base there," added Atrill.

FUME estimates that more than 11,000 acres of land in Haliburton County have been claimed for potential uranium mining, 8,500 acres of which have been optioned to three different uranium exploration companies.

The claims include both private property and Crown land in the eastern part of the county; initial exploration has already occurred on three sites in the Wilberforce and Tory Hill areas.

Simpson said that with the money raised at Sunday's dinner FUME hopes to purchase radon gas testing equipment that can be lent to people living near potential exploration sites.

Radon is an invisible, radioactive gas that results from decaying uranium. Stemming from natural sources, the gas can sometimes accumulate in buildings and have devastating effects.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency says radon gas reportedly causes 21,000 lung cancer deaths per year in the United States. It is considered to be the second most frequent cause of lung cancer (next to cigarette smoking) and the sixth leading cause of cancer death overall, which is why Simpson worries about the effects that drilling and exploration may have.

"We're finding that people [in Haliburton County] are already living with high levels of radon gas," said Simpson. "Some people are unbelievably off the scale... In some cases it's as high as 30 times the dangerous level."

In addition to gas testing equipment, Simpson said FUME would also like to use the money to put together a small library of studies and modern books about the uranium cycle and nuclear energy, which again would be accessible to the public.

Joining the two groups at their function on Sunday was Wolfe Erlichman, member of the Community Coalition

Against Mining Uranium (CCAMU), which has been fighting against uranium exploration in the Sharbot Lake area since 2007.

Erlichman said he first met members of FUME at the Citizens' Inquiry on the Impacts of Uranium in Peterborough last month, and came to Haliburton to show his support for FUME's efforts and to network with other activists who may be interested in joining a province-wide coalition against uranium mining and exploration.

"I'm here today to talk and to network, but also to help publicize the issue," said Erlichman. "People here need to get involved. The future of this area is not uranium mining. It's clean water and clean air. It's retirement and it's tourism. You don't need a mine."

However, Erlichman also said that the probability of a bona fide uranium mine in Haliburton County was next to nil. Instead, Erlichman speculated that what is likely to happen is a lot of prospecting to attract investors and boost stocks, but without the follow-through of a full-blown mining operation.

"I guarantee you there won't be a mine in this area. A serious uranium mine is a big deal, there's a lot to lose, and the community won't stand for it," he said.

"But given that's the case, then there also shouldn't be any exploration or drilling. Because when you're drilling and you're exploring, you're disturbing the uranium. So why bother when you know there's not going to be a mine?"

Whether it's full-blown uranium mining or simply drilling and exploration, both FUME and the Green Party are hoping to make it clear to the powers that be that Haliburton County wants no part of it. (In fact, Sunday's dinner kicked off FUME's letter-writing campaign to pressure the province into calling a moratorium on uranium mining.)

Just how closely the two organizations will work together in the future remains to be seen, though Smith said the informal coalition could one day lead to a more official partnership as the controversy picks up steam.

"The coalition, at this point, is not about making any bold political assertions. It's supposed to be bland and featureless, more a banking arrangement than a platform for a mandate statement," Smith said.

"Right now it's really a convenience so that a few groups could combine their efforts in fundraising... but at some point we will need a coalition in the full sense of the word, where people get together, hold a summit, and decide how to break up the pie in terms of resistance and struggle. So this dinner is a good start."

Members of Fight Uranium Mining and Exploration (FUME) are holding a public information session on June 21 at the Gooderham Community Centre. For more information visit www.fighturanium.com, e-mail fighturanium@gmail.com, or call (705) 447-3407.

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Cottagers fear assessment hike this autumn

Provincial freeze is about to end

MATT JAMES

Staff Reporter

Some waterfront property owners in Haliburton County could be swimming until October — they might need to cool off after seeing increases on their 2008 property assessment notice this fall.

A recent study shows that waterfront properties in the Haliburton and Muskoka regions, on average, increased 47 per cent between the third quarter of 2004 and the third quarter of 2007.

The provincial government froze property re-assessments in 2006, so that means waterfront property owners may be facing a whopping increase in assessment this fall, when reassessments resume.

The study was conducted by Cushman Wakefield Lepage and released by WRAFT (Waterfront Ratepayers After Fair Taxes) using data collected from the Muskoka and Haliburton Association of Realtors, the study analyzes real estate sale prices from 2005 CVAs (Current Value Assessments).

Liberal Finance Minister Greg Sorbara said the freeze was necessary because he wanted to revamp the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC) and its process for assessing property value.

Sorbara was responding to André Marin's Ombudsman Report. Marin said that "MPAC is, in many respects, an impressive corporation performing a massive and challenging task with fewer resources than it should have."

The report listed 22 recommendations.

Jane Davidson, media relations specialist with MPAC, says that the provincial corporation is working on all recommendations "within our administrative jurisdiction. [To date] we've got 13 completed and there are two that require legislative changes."

While Davidson was unable to provide exact numbers, she says that MPAC has also increased the number of people assessing properties as a way of providing more accurate information.

"I think what's important is for people to understand that we've been working really hard at this in the last two years," she said. "And they should know the property assessment notice is going to have far

more information this time around. We've made some very significant changes."

WRAFT thinks the system is being improved.

"I think it's better, yes, there's no question," said Topp. "I think it's going to be more transparent. People will be able to gain a better understanding of how their assessments are prepared."

However, "the changes have no impact at all on the underlying system," said Topp, "which we believe is too volatile."

Waiting for the fall

So what exactly is going to happen when property owners open their assessments this fall?

As usual, there will be some properties that go up in value, some that decrease and some that will remain the same. Waterfront owners are worried that they'll be in the first category.

"It's too early to tell because we're still in the process of doing what we call fine tuning, which is analyzing the values that we have as of January 1, 2008," Davidson says. The assessment is based on a fixed evaluation date and undergoes rigorous testing to come up with an accurate value.

But Andrew Hodgson, a local sales representative for Century 21, thinks the increases are "going to be devastating to our county. A 47 per cent hit added on to the other cost pressures right now, the big one being gas prices, this would come at a bad time. Even with [taxes] spread over four years, 47 per cent seems pretty crazy," he said.

WRAFT's Topp uses information gathered from the study as his indicator of what 2008 assessments will be like. Topp says he's looked at a number of sales in Haliburton and there were all kinds of percentage increases from the assessment value to the sales price.

"So you do know, pretty certainly, that waterfront properties have gone up substantially more than properties not on the water," he said. "And that means that the share of tax paid by [waterfront] properties is going to be a lot larger than it was last time around — and that's been happening for a number of assessments now."

For example, a waterfront property

on Eagle Lake sold in the fourth quarter of 2007 or early 2008 for \$875,000. The property's 2005 assessment was \$735,000, meaning the sales price was 19 per cent higher than its most recently assessed value. A waterfront property in Minden sold around the same time for \$600,000. Its 2005 assessment was \$314,000, a percentage increase of 91 per cent.

Dysart Reeve Murray Fearrey said no matter how it's viewed, waterfront property owners could be paying more taxes because of what's happening around them.

"What it's going to mean is that the residential units not on the water are going to get a reduction and that reduction is going to be picked up by waterfront properties," said Fearrey. "But if the assessments increase dramatically the tax rate will come down."

Unless the provincial government can be persuaded to introduce a methodology that limits all increases to a percentage, which is what the provincial Conservatives are advocating, the shift to waterfront properties is going to happen.

"We like the idea of some kind of limitation on assessment increases to remove the tremendous swings and shifts that can occur," said Topp. "A cap is one way to go. It could be five per cent, it could be a better number."

The five per cent, Topp says, is based on average increased real estate values going back 20 to 30 years.

Topp said as of September the increase will be spread out over a four-year period.

Davidson says that when people receive their assessments, "If there's an error we will fix it. And that will be reflected on the information we send to the municipality, and that of course is where the tax rates are set."



In 2005, the provincial Liberals put a freeze on property re-assessments. That freeze ends this fall, and some people predict a 47 per cent increase in waterfront property values.

MPAC says that when property owners receive their assessments, they should ask themselves a simple question: if they had sold their property on January 1, 2008, is that the price they would have agreed to?

"That's a good litmus test," said Davidson.

"[WRAFT's] concern is that the increases are unrealistic, unreasonable, and unmanageable," said Topp. "It reflects what's happening in the marketplace and we feel that a volatile real estate market, that we've had now for years, is not a sound basis for determining somebody's tax load from one year to the next."

For more information about property assessments visit www.mpac.ca and for more information on WRAFT visit www.wraft.com.



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Rising tempers

Anyone with a cynical disposition will wonder whether the provincial government's decision to freeze property assessments in 2006 for a couple of years had more to do with wanting to avoid a contentious issue in the next year's election than wanting time to fix the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation.

There is simply no way to make people happy when it comes to property taxes. No one likes to pay them and no one likes the thought of paying more. But how do you change the system?

You've heard all the arguments – that rising property values do not reflect an increase in ability to pay for those taxes, that many people who own waterfront property

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have no intention of selling them, and that if you bought a \$300,000 boat instead of a cottage you don't have to pay annual taxes in order to enjoy it.

All the arguments are

true, but so are all the arguments about why the system had to be changed to the Current Value Assessment. Under the old system, people who bought their waterfront property in the 1950s were likely to be paying fewer taxes than someone who had bought a property of equal value 30 years later. Basing assessments on current values was simply the fairest way to do things.

The provincial Tories are suggesting a five per cent cap in assessment increases. It's an attractive idea – better than putting a freeze on re-assessments and simply delaying the inevitable increase. But you have to be careful because there's also the risk of tying the hands of municipal officials when it comes to paying for the services that property owners need and demand. (Just look at the California's woeful infrastructure to see what can happen when a rich state puts limits on tax increases.)

Under the CVA theory, however, the sliding tax rate is supposed to mitigate any large increases in assessment. Even though property values increase, the municipal budgets don't have to increase at the same rate. Therefore, if assessments go up but budgets stay the same, the tax rate is supposed to go down.

So even if property assessments on waterfront properties have gone up 47 per cent since 2006 – although that number seems a bit high – it doesn't mean that taxes will go up 47 per cent. However, since properties off the lake didn't increase in value at such an alarming rate (assuming you don't want to sell), there will be a shift in the burden of taxation. Waterfront owners will bear most of it because their properties have the most value.

We could go round in circles on this issue for decades but we'd still end up simply chasing our tail. The key is not assessments; the key is how municipal governments spend money. Yes, there are examples of waste (such as Blackberries for many county staff members) but if you really want to look at what's causing such high taxes, look at the level of service municipalities are now expected to provide. Legislation has added layer upon layer of costs on municipalities, who have no other option than to follow the rules.



It's a bug's life.

Photo by Greg Hoekstra

How goes the evolution? (1)

In a past issue of The New Yorker magazine, where you'll find arguably the best cartoons in the world, there was one that really got me thinking. The cartoon featured two cavemen sitting in front of their cave having a conversation. One of them says to the other, 'Gort discovered fire... and Og invented the wheel... so that's about it.'

Here are two of our ancient relatives engaged in the ever-so-human concept of being convinced that they are at the cutting edge of progress, and that surely nothing can move much further beyond their present high-tech state of the world. But as I look around me, I see that there are many examples of the human race still acting like our ancestors did back when we still lived in caves. (There is still a relatively large and active Flat Earth Society who continues to put forth arguments in that direction.)

Today, we still fight each other instead of working together. We haven't evolved to the point where we see the benefits of having a whole world working for the betterment of the whole world, which, if we are to survive, is a must. Have you ever imagined how much we could accomplish if we worked together, instead of against each other? By the looks of things, this is maybe a few thousand years off.

One of the things that must eventually change is the market system that forces us to occasionally throw tons of grain into the ocean to keep its price up. Hopefully, this will be a curiosity to the people of 5008. This same system stubbornly protects old technology (internal combustion engine) at a cost of an obviously far superior technology (electric engine) in order to preserve an old business (Big Oil) and should be placed in museums to remind the people of

5008 how ludicrous the human race was three centuries ago. 'Did they still live in caves?' they might ask.

In All Fairness to Cave People.

It seems unfair to highlight the fears and ignorance of cave people since they happened to be thrown into a world full of more questions than

answers, plus some very dangerous foes in the form of large, fast and vicious beasts looking for lunch. We should be glad that from a collection of like-beings, the human species won the natural selection contest by being ultimately better equipped -- opposable thumbs and fingers plus a better (probably bigger) brain with which to think things out. (Those, if any, who still have difficulty accepting that we humans were and are part of the ape family, it's time to get over it.)

Most of the ape-ish wannabees went the way of the dodo bird, leaving our ancestors in charge of a world full of exploding volcanoes, thunder, lightning, shooting stars, intermittent geysers, hurricanes, tornadoes, solar eclipses, and aurora borealis, any one of which would scare the bejesus out of every one of them, possibly arousing their curiosity once safely cowering in the cave. "What the heck was that?" they would probably grunt fairly often.

Keep in mind that the average caveman put in a pretty full day, what with hunting food that was probably also hunting him, while keeping clear of the neighbours who would happily brain him for the deer he'd bagged and, without the slightest qualm, put them both on the spit for dinner. This didn't leave a lot of time for deep thought and study. Although one would think we'd be more advanced now that we're walking on the moon instead of praying to it.



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Joggers on the spot

I LOOKED OUT MY WINDOW the other morning and saw the strangest thing. A man was jogging past my house. Bear in mind that it was cold, wet, miserable and very early in the morning. And we live on a tortuously long and steep hill. So I did the only thing a good neighbour could do. I went and got out the shotgun.

"What are you doing?" my wife asked.

"Look over there," I said sadly as I pointed out the window.

"Oh my goodness, do you think he's being chased by a bear?"

"What else would force a man to jog up this hill?" I said nervously.

"You're not going to shoot him are you?" she asked.

"No," I replied, "as much as that would put him out of his misery, that would probably be wrong."

Instead, I planned on doing the only sane thing a man could do. I was going to step outside in the patched-up long underwear I keep for just such an occasion, wave the scattergun in the air, and ask him if he's ever seen the movie *Deliv-*



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"That ought to give him the adrenalin burst he needs to get a real good lead on that bear," I explained. "That way, no one – not even the bear – gets hurt."

"But what if you're wrong?" Carol asked. "What if he's just jogging?"

I laughed out loud. "Up Vinegar Hill? Woman, are you crazy?"

"People do jog for fun and fitness you know," she reminded me.

"Yeah, right," I replied. "And we have robots on Mars too..."

Maybe I'm wrong but jogging for jogging's sake is sort of like pulling out chest hairs just for pulling out chest hairs' sake. Oh, I've listened to the arguments about it being good for you. I've heard how it improves your fitness level and makes you live longer. But, you've got to ask yourself the big question: "If I have to jog for two hours a week for the rest of my life, is that life really worth living?"

Even so, as I donned my long johns and billy boots, blacked out several teeth, put on my straw hat, and picked up the gun, it occurred to me that my wife just might be right. Maybe this person was simply jogging up the hill for fun and fitness.

I got out the binoculars.

"What are you doing now?" Carol asked.

"Looking for chest hairs on the man," I stated.

I couldn't see any. Instead he was decked out in quality running shoes and clothes tailor-made for running. He wore head phones and appeared to be breathing evenly. And there was not the telltale lump at the back of the pants that a close encounter with a bear brings either.

"I don't get it," I mumbled. "I think he's actually doing this willingly."

Before long, he had crested the hill and disappeared over the horizon. And I put the gun away and changed back into my normal clothes.

"Now I've seen everything," I muttered.

"Yeah," my wife said as she wiped the black from my teeth. "Some people are strange."

"Kind of makes me wonder about the last few runners that I've helped along," I mumbled.

And right there and then it occurred to me that I should have known better. Heck, even a hungry bear wouldn't run up this hill....



pic of the past

Last Friday, elementary students from across the district converged at the Haliburton arena for Bandfest. As this week's Pic of the Past illustrates, music has long been a part of village life. This photo of the Haliburton Citizens Band was taken in 1905. Standing are John Adams, Sid Johnston, bandmaster, and Walter Austin. Seated left to right are: William Lucas, Frank Austin, Jack Potts, Geo. Potts, Garnet Austin, Harry Abbot, James Weekes, Frank McIntyre, T. Jones, William Prust and Edward Austin.

Criticism and 'fair comment'

Editor's note: Everyone must have spent all last week outdoors, trying to get as much done before the black-flies became bad because we have no letters to the editor this week. This is a column from Sun Media.

ALAN SHANOFF

Sun Media

Freedom of expression is one of the rights we enjoy that distinguishes Canada from non-democratic countries. Of course this freedom has its limits, but perhaps the most vital aspect of freedom of expression is the concept of "fair comment."

Fair comment is the label given to the defence that allows defamatory opinions or criticism of everyone from the prime minister down to the local council member. It allows robust criticism of restaurants, plays, movies, books, actors, sports figures, public figures, and the like.

Our newspapers would be very dull affairs without the benefit of fair comment. Our sports and entertainment sections would be dry as dust. There'd be no Sunday Comment section or editorial cartoon. Andy Donato would have to play golf all day.

Editorial cartoons by Donato and Sue Dewar make us laugh at politicians of all stripes. Letters to the editor regularly heap scorn on public officials.

These things can get you tossed in jail in many countries but in Canada they are permitted as part

of our cherished freedom of expression. The object of derision can sue for damages in a defamation action, claiming damage to reputation, but fair comment is a potent defence in any defamation action.

Strangely however, human rights commissions don't have to recognize fair comment as a defence to hate speech complaints.

The fair comment defence is not perfect, however. The name is a bit of a misnomer and causes all sorts of problems for everyone, judges included. You see, comments do not have to be "fair" for this defence to prevail. The comments can be extreme, exaggerated, unreasonable, even unfair. Often editorial cartoons are all three, but that's acceptable.

But to succeed with this defence the comments must be honestly held by the author or speaker and must be based on and related to accurate facts.

It may be completely unreasonable and an exaggeration to say Stephane Dion couldn't run a meeting, let alone a country, but it's fair comment.

One controversial aspect of this defence is it may be defeated by malice. If the speaker or writer is acting with malicious motives, ill will or spite then fair comment may not succeed. Just how one establishes malice remains up for debate in the courts. If an opinion is honestly held it is

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Fire at Miskwabi destroys cottage

MATT JAMES

Staff Reporter

The cause of a fire that burned a small cottage to the ground on Miskwabi Lake Road on May 24 is still undetermined says Dysart et al fire chief Miles Maughan.

"We were there for three hours," said Maughan, "There's nothing left."

The Dysart et al fire department, along with members of the Highlands East fire department, arrived at 1114 Miskwabi Lake Road at approximately 6:06 p.m. The property owners were at the cottage when the blaze broke out and Maughan estimates the damages at approximately \$140,000.



The flames were intense, sending dark smoke above the horizon.



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ANSWER: Even though the doctrine of "let the buyer beware" prevails in real estate, there are examples of sellers who have unwittingly given buyers written warranties regarding the condition of their properties. Some have had inevitable and costly legal repercussions.

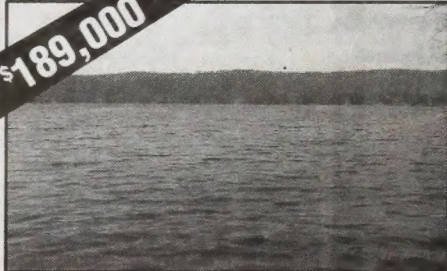
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'Business as usual'

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negotiations. "The erosion of our relationship will undoubtedly require enormous effort and commitment to regain what has been subsequently lost and tainted."

While the county offered a four per cent wage increase this year, and a further three per cent for each of the next three years, Mulholland says it's not enough to make the county competitive with other jurisdictions. The wage offer puts county workers below municipal roads departments in the county even though county workers work shifts and weekends, he says.

However, Dysart et al Reeve Murray Fearrey, who led the county's negotiating team, says that the difference in wages between county roads workers and those in Dysart, Minden Hills and Highlands East, can be measured in pennies. "They're all very comparable," he says.

Fearrey believes that the county recognizes the contributions made by workers in the contract. The wage increase is "consistent with what's going on around us and better than the private sector."

He's glad that the union accepted the contract and "realized this was not all bad a deal."

He doesn't want to predict what the county would have done if it had found itself in a lock-out position last Friday. "There probably would have been action at some point," he says. "It's not easy. No one wants a labour dispute."

As unhappy as the members are with the contract Mulholland says the staff won't let their feelings interfere with their work. "Our members want to do a good job; they're not complacent," he says. "I think in the long term it will be business as usual. Everyone is resilient enough to put it behind them."

Receiver 'very close' to finalizing sale

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Henechowicz said W3 Connex has ongoing projects in Haliburton County, Prince Edward County, and the Township of South Dundas. The problem, said Henechowicz, is that the company bit off a little more than it could chew and didn't have the money to sustain all of its projects.

"The company built various networks but didn't have the financing in place to take it all the way though to the point where all its customers would be up and operating," he said. "It just didn't happen."

However, that doesn't mean the situation has changed for current customers of W3. "Everybody is essentially in a holding pattern until the sale is completed. Customers have an obligation to pay their bills, and we have an obligation to make sure their service keeps going."

Here in the Haliburton Highlands W3 Connex had established some pockets of wireless Internet customers, but the company's main project in the area was a broadband fiber optics network that stretches along the abandoned railway corridor from Lindsay to Haliburton.

The project, known as Haliburton Connect, brought high speed Internet to municipal buildings, hospitals, and schools across all four municipalities.

Jim Wilson, CAO for Haliburton County, says that since the project was more or less completed last fall the recent turmoil with W3 Connex hasn't had much of an impact.

"There were a few outstanding items but we also haven't paid the full amount so there's some offset," said Wilson. "Basically it's been a seamless transfer. It hasn't affected our operations in any way."

One of the only incomplete projects was to extend high speed Internet access to the Stanhope Airport. And while

it's a project the county would like to see completed soon, Wilson said they will likely hold off and wait to see what the new buyer's plans are in this area.

"From an economic development standpoint it's certainly important for us to ensure there is broadband connectivity up in that area, but we're waiting to see what comes back and who takes the business over."

Henechowicz confirmed that a sale is currently in the works, and though he couldn't name the potential buyer, he did say they were a reputable firm that would be looking to continue and expand upon W3's efforts in the area - including residential wireless service.

"We are very close to finalizing a sale over the next few days where W3 will be taken over by what we believe is a very well-financed and experienced operator in this business," he said. "People who requested service can expect to receive calls in the next few weeks about setting up installation dates."

"That was one of the problems with W3," Henechowicz added. "They didn't have the finances to carry through with installations...but now hopefully we have someone coming to the table who is investing quite a lot of money in W3 with the specific intention of filling that void."

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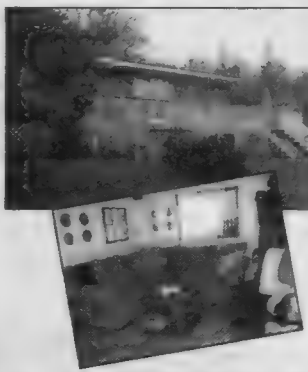
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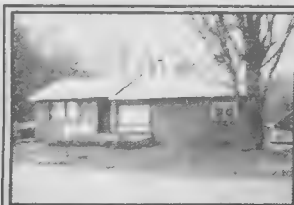
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Kennisis Lake Cottage Owners' Association pleased with TSW report

MARTHA PERKINS

Editor

The following are brief reports of items discussed by association members at the spring meeting of the Kennisis Lake Cottage Owners' Association at Haliburton Forest on May 17. The association has almost 600 members. For details on all these initiatives please see www.klcoa.org.

Water levels have fallen five inches

since the beginning of spring as the Trent-Severn Waterways tries various strategies to deal with the large volume of melted snowpack. The association hopes levels will rise another five to six inches before the summer drawdown begins.

In general, the association is pleased with the TSW panel report, which recognizes the important recreational and environmental role of the watershed lakes and calls for a better system of management.

"I think we made a huge step forward,"

Chris Riddle said. (The association is a member of the Haliburton Highlands coalition for better water management.) However, even though the report talks about water conservation, it doesn't set out a plan on how to do it.

The success of the coalition has initiated discussions about the formation of a watershed council. "We have too many small groups trying to do the same things and we need to co-ordinate things better," he said.

The coalition has supported the local lobbying effort to convince the provincial government to have a moratorium on uranium exploration and development in the county. He noted that the uranium core that is being surveyed near Tory Hill runs diagonally up to Dorset. Kennisis Lake should therefore also be concerned about the issue.

Lake steward Cameron Douglas said the island is a high-profile area visible from many parts of the lake. The association is concerned about the loss of a natural area, the island's aesthetic value and septic tank servicing.

Concerned residents can contact the county office to request that they be notified when a public meeting on the issue will be held. That will likely be some time from now since the peer review is not expected to be completed for another six months.

Fishing stories

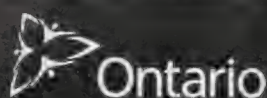
The Ministry of Natural Resources wants at least 10 avid fisherman to tell their fishing stories.

It's all part of the data collection that will help the ministry determine how to improve the lake's fisheries.

Kennisis Lake has many unique features, Gary Benson said: it's a largely spring-fed, deep lake with deep spawning trout. Speckled trout have been introduced over the past few years to help alleviate the rock bass problem.

MNR fisheries biologist David Flowers will meet with the Kennisis anglers to discuss the information-gathering program and provide the materials that are needed,

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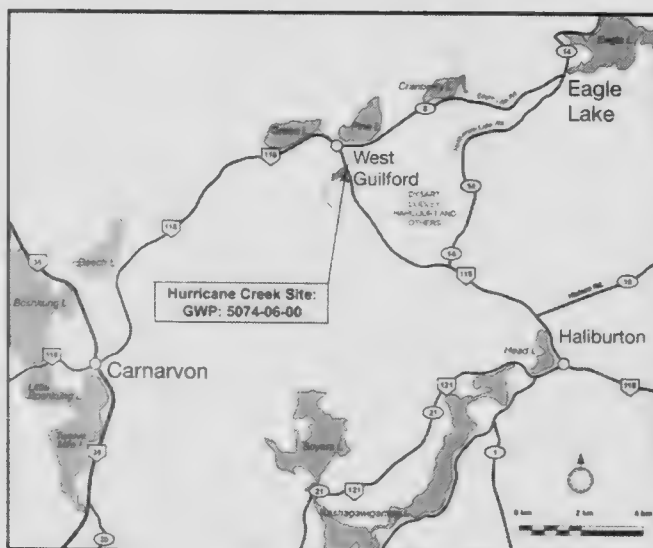
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THE PROJECT

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The purpose of this project is to prolong the service life of the culvert by rehabilitation.

THE PROCESS

This project has been classified as a Group 'C' undertaking under the *Class Environmental Assessment for Provincial Transportation Facilities* (2000). The study will include an assessment of potential impacts of culvert rehabilitation on the study area environment.

Comments and information regarding this study are being collected to assist in meeting the requirements of the *Environmental Assessment Act*. These comments will be maintained on file for use during the study in accordance with the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*. All comments become part of the public record with the exception of personal information.

COMMENTS

We are interested in hearing any comments or concerns that you may have with the Hurricane Creek culvert study. Please contact either Andy Staszak or Doug Rivers at the following addresses/numbers:

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The Trent Conservation Coalition Source Protection Committee invites public comment on their Draft Proposed Terms of Reference (ToR). The documents are work plans that will guide the preparation of Assessment Reports and Source Protection Plans related to the protection of water supplies for drinking water systems. The ToR includes municipal, Source Protection Committee and Source Protection Authority responsibilities, timelines, costs and lists of drinking water systems to be included in the source protection plans.

The Draft Proposed ToR documents are available online at www.trentsourceprotection.on.ca. They are also available for viewing during office hours at the following Conservation Authority offices: Crowe Valley Conservation Authority ■ Ganaraska Region Conservation Authority ■ Kawartha Conservation ■ Lower Trent Conservation ■ Otonabee Conservation

The public is welcome to submit written comments regarding the Draft Proposed Terms of Reference during a 35-day comment period which ends June 25, 2008:

TRENT CONSERVATION COALITION SOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE

c/o Lower Trent Conservation, 714 Murray Street, Trenton, Ontario K8V 5P4
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Public Meetings (formal presentation with open house to follow) scheduled for:

June 11: 2 to 4 PM – Crowe Valley Conservation Authority, 70 Hughes Lane, Marmora
June 11: 6:30 to 8:30 PM – Lower Trent Conservation, 714 Murray St, RRI, Trenton (Quinte West)
June 12: 2 to 4 PM – Ganaraska Region Conservation Authority, 2216 Cty Rd 28, Port Hope
June 12: 6:30 to 8:30 PM – Otonabee Conservation, 250 Milroy Drive, Peterborough
June 16: 2 to 4 PM – Haliburton Legion, 719 Mountain St., Haliburton
June 16: 6:30 to 8:30 PM – Ops Community Centre, 2569 Highway 7, Lindsay

For more information, please visit www.trentsourceprotection.on.ca or contact:
Glenda Rodgers, Project Manager, Trent Conservation Coalition Source Protection Region,
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Looking for something to do this summer? Volunteers needed

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such as a punch to take small tail samples from fish. Please contact either lake steward Cameron Douglas or Gary Benson.

Shoreline study

The association was one of two in the county to get funding under the Shoreline Advisor Program. It needs two volunteers to work with the Lakeland Alliance to assess shoreline conditions on the two lakes. As well, it needs approximately 50 landowners to have their shorelines assessed by the program. The interview and inspection will take two hours.

Contact Jim Prince or Cameron Douglas if interested in participating. You can also e-mail lakelandalliance@cogeco.net.

Property taxes

The provincial freeze on property assessments comes to an end this fall and a coalition of waterfront property owners is asking for support in its quest to limit the burden of taxation on waterfront properties. Lakeshore owners are asked to sign the online petition at www.wraft.com.

Community safety

Only one break-in (at a construction trailer) was reported over the winter although there may be more reports now that people are returning to the cottages after the winter, reported John Cunerty.

There were seven road accidents, all involving deer.

Roads

Positive relations with Dysart's roads department is helping to keep Kennis area roads in very good shape, Gord Benner reported. He did a road tour in the fall and then met with roads superintendent Brian Nicholson to discuss problems and priorities. A large share of the municipality's paving budget will be spent in the Kennis area.

History

To celebrate the 50th anniversary of the regatta, Gloria Carnochan received overwhelming support for a family picnic following this year's event on Saturday, August 2. It will be a potluck, alcohol-free event that will include music. (She'd also like to bring back the air band concert.)

She wants to collect memorabilia about the event and the history of the cottage association. Some of this might be gathered in a book, although the book will not be ready in time for the regatta.

The event will require a number of volunteers. A meeting has been scheduled for June 28, which is the day of the Canada Day fireworks celebration.

Cathie Heppell is also compiling a history of the lake. People are asked to share their stories with her.



MARTHA PERKINS/ECHO

Accepting the Jerry Strickland Memorial Award on behalf of the Kennis Lake Cottage Owners' Association are, from left, Jim Prince, Duncan McCallum, Jason Wigmore and Jeff Pinkney. The Federation of Ontario Cottagers' Associations presented the association the prestigious award largely in recognition of the long-term management plan in its new lake plan. The award was originally presented in Toronto last November but association president Duncan McCallum presented it to the lake association members at their spring meeting on May 17.

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Approximately 20 students from the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School track and field team jumped,



Meghan Bottum, left, fixes her cleats as Christianna Walker and coach Paul Morissette discuss strategy between events.

WALTER TOSE/Special to The Echo



Raechel Burk, Sahsa White, Zane Zondervan, and Connor Cowan were part of the Hal High team at the meet in Belleville on May 22. Of 45 HHSS students 20 are going on to the Eastern Regional OFSSA qualifier this Thursday.

threw, or ran themselves into the Eastern Regional OFSSA qualifier track and field meet in Ottawa this Thursday.

On a cold, windy, and rainy May 22, a total of 38 Red Hawks travelled to the Bruce Fields Track in Belleville for the 2008 COSSA Track and Field meet. The weather was especially hard on the hurdlers who ran into a very stiff and blustery head wind, as well as the shot put throwers, who dealt with wind and rain.

The team has trained very hard and fought against the elements. The team travels to the Terry Fox Track and Field Facility in Ottawa on Thursday for the Eastern Regional OFSSA qualifier.

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Snowy season led to smiles for snowmobilers

SUNITA KARIK

Staff Reporter

The atmosphere was cheerful at Tracy's Bistro on Saturday night as the Haliburton County Snowmobile Association celebrated a snow-filled season. Members came together for their annual general meeting to discuss the past year's pits and peaks, and also to plan for next winter.

Outgoing president Doug Mahood said the general consensus for last winter's snowmobile season was simple: "It was awesome." The association set records for the number of hours they spent grooming the trails, which led to about 17 weeks of smooth trails for snowmobilers. On the down side, they also spent a record amount of money on fuel to keep the machines running. Mahood said it was worth it in the end because "Haliburton trails were fantastic this winter."

One trail that wasn't opened was the route running from Pine Springs towards Minden (Trail 2). There is a problem with the path the top of the trail takes, so one of the big focuses for this summer will be to look at re-routing part of it so it can potentially be ready to go in the future. The expense of this project could reach the \$30,000 mark, so there is still some questioning of how and when it could be done.

Last season's vice-president, Peter Zahn, talked about a \$3 million fund the

Ontario Federation of Snowmobile Clubs received from the provincial government. If the HCSA receives enough from this fund then Zahn hopes to work on Trail 2 as soon as possible. The trail will be put onto the new maps released in the fall if it is ready in time for next season.

The OFSC requires at least three week-ends of trail patrol over the course of a season. This year the association went above that minimum target and patrolled on five different weekends, spending about 100 hours in total on the trails checking for permits and to ensure the rules are being followed.

Peter Overington estimates about 3,000 people were stopped, and only two were in violation of the rules.

"Although we're getting 99.9% acceptance, the people who paid their money want to see us out there stopping the people who haven't paid," said Overington. "We complied with the OFSC requirements. It was a good year for permits, and I'm happy about it."

There was some trouble with people vandalizing or removing trail signs. Rick Armstrong reported that he saw signs that had been removed altogether, or relocated, on at least two different occasions.

"It's a monstrous game and it deals with safety," said Armstrong. "Massive efforts have to be made before the next season to move the signs off the trees and on to the steel posts."



SUNITA KARIK/Echo

The Zahn family enjoys a summer day, after winning family of the year at the Haliburton County Snowmobile Association AGM. Peter and Marg take Bradley, 8, and Ashley, 5, on snowmobile trips in the winter months.

The association is going to be placing a new focus on overall safety next season. Overington has reviewed a copy of the proposed health and safety plan put forward by the OFSC, and says there are a lot of new training requirements being put into place.

"We're going to have to do a lot of work, and hire early to have the training done before the season starts," said Overington.

Snow definitely brought snowmobilers to Haliburton, and the overall permit sales were up by about \$9,000 from last year. The association wants to continue saying thank you to the landowners who let their property be part of the trail system that is enjoyed by so many people during the winter months.

The final order of business was to elect a new executive for the 2008 to 2009 season. Final positions will be decided on Thursday June 5th when the 10 nominees meet next.

Just after the meeting's adjournment Marjorie Kennedy, the outgoing treasurer, announced Zahn as the volunteer of the year. His continuing dedication to the club and "love of the sport of snowmobiling" set him apart to receive the recognition. The Zahn family also won family of the year, with both Peter and his wife Margaret on the executive for the past and upcoming seasons. Overington was recognized for his dedication to trail patrol. He will also remain on the executive for the next snowmobiling season.

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A handful of girls from J. Douglas Hodgson Elementary School couldn't contain themselves and danced to the beats of Odyssey, a high school guest band who played for an appreciative crowd at Bandfest 2008.

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Grade 7 JDH music teacher and Bandfest organizer Lorie Reddering leads her class during the just-for-fun event.

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Schools from Haliburton County and Kawartha Lakes gathered at the arena to, "celebrate and interact in the name of music," said Grade 7 JDH music teacher

and Bandfest organizer Lorie Reddering.

After each school played two or three songs the audience was entertained by Odyssey, a band consisting of dozens of high school students, who in order to make the band, had to try out.

The day brought hundreds of talented kids together and after Odyssey, all sixteen bands played in unison to conclude Bandfest 2008.

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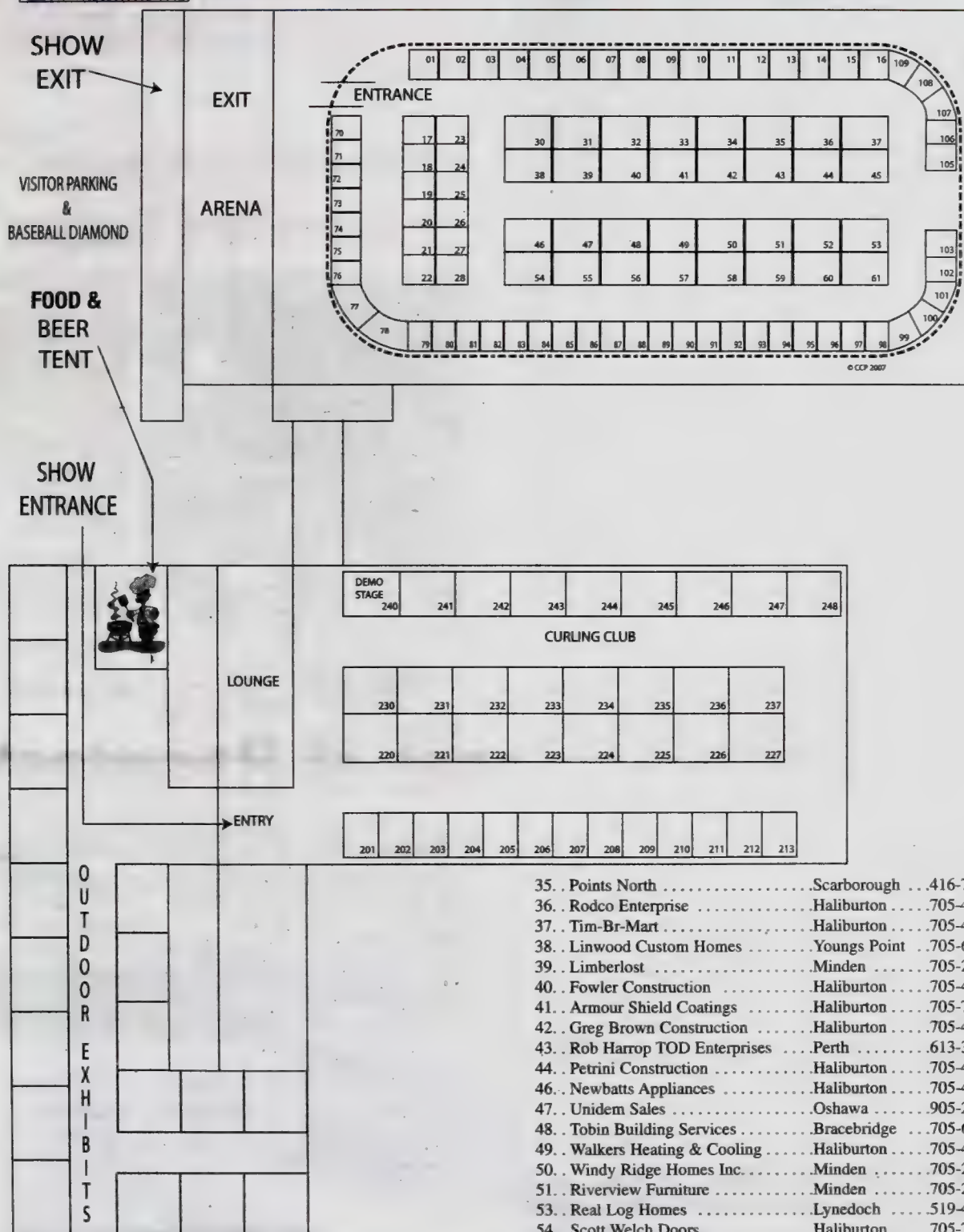
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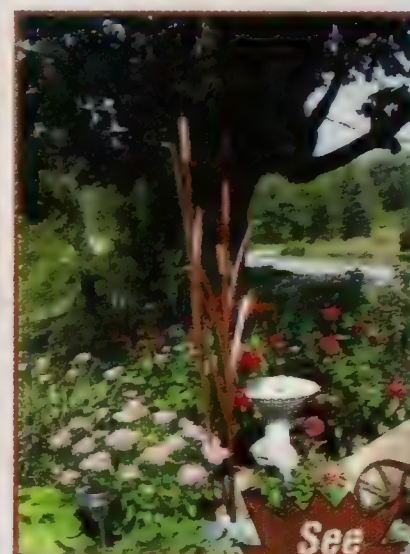
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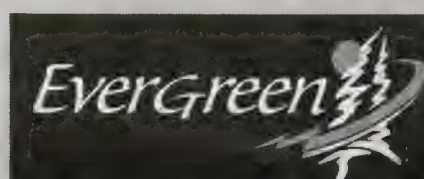
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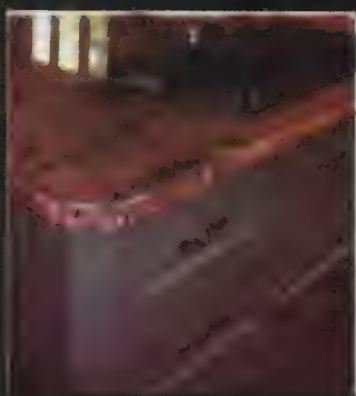
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Literacy centre opens new doors to public

SUNITA KARIR

Staff Reporter

The John Howard Society literacy centre may have a new location in Haliburton, but it will continue to offer the same services to the public. Formerly called the Haliburton Highlands Learning Centre, the old location on Victoria street was moved to Halco plaza, where it is now wheelchair accessible.

The new office was officially opened on May 15.

The office is set up with a small computer lab and work area for students and volunteers. One of the centre's main goals is to continue with an outreach literacy program for adults. Students work one-on-one with trained volunteers who help them with basic skills upgrading in reading, writing, math and computers.

Some people who participate in the program are working on completing a diploma, or might be going back to school. Others just do it to advance their skills for personal enjoyment in everyday life.

When students first come in to use the literacy centre, co-ordinator Sherry Harpell will test their skill level. Then, based on what the students say they are trying to achieve, she creates a personal learning plan that will help them with their goals.

Harpell is hoping to attract people from Haliburton's surrounding areas. She says anyone who's "interested in learning new skills" can find help in the office. A lot of adults who didn't work with computers growing up are learning to use them successfully and confidently.

There is lots of room for new students, as well as volunteers. The society is also trying to recruit a Haliburton resident to sit on the board. Laura Maw, executive director, says that having someone from Haliburton on the board will help the program to meet the needs of local residents.

"We are here to help individuals; we're very flexible and everything's client-focused," said Maw. "In order for a community program to grow and prosper, the community needs to be involved."

The John Howard Society also wants to help people complete their community service orders. The office helps place individuals somewhere they will be able to make a difference and complete their hours while giving back to the community.

"We're just trying to make the community a better place to live; there's always a need in a community like this for an agency like John Howard," said Brian Cavanagh, chair of the board. "If we can't provide what is necessary we normally know where the individual can get the support."

If you are interested in more information about any of the services offered by the John Howard Society you can drop by their new office on the upper level of Halco Plaza.

SUNITA KARIR/ECHO



Sherry Harpell, far right, celebrates with board members of the John Howard Society as they cut the ribbon for their new location in Halco Plaza. The centre will continue to offer literacy centre services to anyone wanting to learn.

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Mandy Cox stirring things up in Calgary

Young Mandy Cox, a former resident of Wilberforce, is in Calgary this week. No, she is not on holiday but she will be doing something she loves. She is representing Ontario in the Canadian culinary skills competition.

Mandy has completed a two-year course in culinary management at Sir Sandford Fleming College in Peterborough with flying colours - that is, with a 94 per cent average. She will graduate in June.

Early in May, having been recommended by college staff as one of their top students in her program, Mandy won silver in a culinary skills competition in Toronto. Now this week she is in Calgary cooking up some great food and presenting it in appetizing ways.

She is being supported there by her college mentor. Mandy has learned how to deal with all aspects of food service - from front to back of the house, from preparation to presentation, managing the whole business. The competition in Calgary will test all of these skills including table side food preparation and knowledge of wines. If Mandy is successful at this competition she could move on to the world championships.

It seems like only yesterday that Mandy was playing the Caterpillar and two other roles in the Loop Troupe's presentation of Alice and, more recently, starring as the

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Cowardly Lion in The Wizard of Oz. Now she is well on her way to a career in the "theatre of food and dining". Will she star as chef, or maitre d', or as manager-owner? Mandy has many family members in this area including her mother Wanda Barnes and many friends who are here this week cheering her on in the competition and wishing her well in her career. Break a leg, young lady!

Several Haliburton County museums were represented at a Museums Networks meeting in Peterborough on Friday, May 23. It was hosted by Elke Weinstein, a museum and heritage advisor, and regional consultant Lou O'Hara at the Peterborough Centennial Museum and Archives. It was an opportunity for museum "leaders" to meet each other and to share and learn about resources and support for museums.

A major goal was to discuss how a network of muse-

ums, perhaps in the area of Haliburton and Peterborough Counties and the City of Kawartha Lakes, might aid marketing efforts. The meeting concluded with a "behind the scenes" tour of the host museum which has the second oldest collection in Ontario. Currently there are 25,000 artifacts and thousands of linear metres of archival material in its collection. Only three per cent of the collection is on display at any one time. It is staffed with three full-time and three part-time employees, many volunteers and students from the museum course at Sir Sandford Fleming. This museum is an amazing place supported by Peterborough County and City.

The wedding of Anita Amos and Ken Lomax in Whitby on Saturday, May 24, 2008 was a very happy occasion. Anita, daughter of Alfretta O'Rourke, has many friends in Wilberforce. Many of those friends were delighted to join Anita and Ken and their families for their marriage at Westminster United Church and at the fine reception at Cullen Gardens Centre. Very best wishes are extended to Anita and Ken for a happy life together.

We hear that the free movie night at the LWMC presented by the Harcourt Chapel was well attended and well received this past weekend.

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St. Anthony hosts convention

The Catholic Women's League of St. Anthony of Padua in Haliburton will be welcoming their sister League members from all over the Diocese of Pembroke. The occasion is the 87th Annual Pembroke Diocesan CWL Convention on Saturday, May 31.

The theme is "Love One Another ~ Called to be Living Stones." The theme has been taken from the first letter of Peter, more specifically I Peter 2:4-6 calling God's people to "Come to Him, to that living stone rejected by men but in God's sight chosen and precious..."

Many CWL members will be travelling a long distance for this one-day event as the Diocese of Pembroke covers a large area which begins in the west in the outlying area of North Bay, continues east to Arnprior and south to Bancroft. The Diocese also includes parishes on the Québec side of the Ottawa River from Témiscaming to Quyon.

A wonderful program has been planned around the theme "Living Stones" with the understanding that a

house becomes a home when it is built with living stones and families are these living stones. The program will include a morning Interchurch Family Session with guest speaker, Christopher Duncanson-Hales. He is a doctoral candidate in theology at St. Paul University in Ottawa, a lay pastoral associate at St. John Chrysostom Parish in Arnprior, and past co-ordinator of youth ministry for the Diocese of Timmins. Through his studies and relationships, Duncanson-Hales has developed a passion for Ecumenism and Ecumenical dialogue that he hopes to share with the Diocesan CWL Conference.

In addition, in the afternoon there will be a workshop regarding the theme "Called to be Living Stones".

Breakfast and lunch in addition to the business and information sessions will take place at the Haliburton Legion with a special Mass being celebrated at St. Anthony of Padua at 5 p.m. in Haliburton. A closing dinner for convention participants and invited guests will take place at the Legion in the evening of Saturday, May 31.

Facts or opinions?

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difficult to see how malice can exist or why it should be an issue, but this too is up for debate in the courts.

Some writers try to express facts as opinions in order to rely on fair comment, but this won't work. Prefacing an allegation with "I think" doesn't transform an allegation into an expression of opinion. Fair comment protects opinions, not facts. Opinions can neither be true nor false, whereas facts can be. Get your facts right and then your opinions should be protected by fair comment - except before a human rights commission.

Now with the lecture over, let's have some fun with this defence. Restaurant critics have never been shy about expressing their views and none can compete with British critics.

Here's a sample of some British criticism: "His cooking is so heavy that if he'd been chef on the Titanic, it would have sunk long before it hit the iceberg." (Antony Thompson). Some restaurant owners have tried to fight back by suing for defamation.

An Irish appeal court recently reversed a 25,000-pound verdict in favour of a restaurant. The restaurant owner did not take kindly to a review that called some of the food inedible. I wonder if the owners were able to swallow that decision.

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Melanie Therrien, coordinator of the SMART exercise program for Peterborough, Victoria & Haliburton, instructs a group of seniors during a session at the Echo Hills apartment complex last Friday. SMART stands for Seniors Maintaining Active Roles Together. The program is geared toward helping seniors regain their balance and avoid falls.



SMART program keeps seniors in motion

• Story and photos by Greg Hoekstra •

For many of Haliburton County's seniors, one wrong step could change the rest of their lives.

Statistics released earlier this month by the Registered Nurses' Association of Ontario show that half of all seniors living in long-term care facilities fall and injure themselves every year.

Many more fall and injure themselves at home, at the cottage, in the bathtub, or at the grocery store, and all too often the damage is irreversible.

Fortunately, there's a new initiative in Haliburton County aimed at decreasing seniors' risk of falls by improving balance and mobility.

The program, offered once a week in both Haliburton and Minden by the Victorian Order of Nurses (VON), is a group exercise program known as SMART – Se-

niors Maintaining Active Roles Together.

Melanie Therrien, SMART coordinator for Peterborough, Victoria & Haliburton, describes the program as a "gentle, comfortable, go at your own pace" exercise routine carefully designed to maintain or improve seniors' strength and independence.

The program is open to seniors of all physical capabilities, and is beneficial to anyone who can perform gentle movements and exercises from either a seated or standing position.

"Everything is done in a safe manner so that people with osteoporosis and other health issues can still participate and benefit," says Therrien.

The program is also offered at a minimal cost of \$2 per session, to make it as affordable and accessible as possible.

"We try to make it much more affordable than other exercise programs and classes," she says. "We don't want price to be an obstacle."

In Haliburton, classes have been running for the past few weeks, but Therrien says more seniors are free to join at any time. The classes take place Friday mornings at 10:30 a.m. at the Echo Hills apartment complex. VON is also looking for volunteers interested in becoming certified seniors' fitness instructors to help manage and run the program.

Haliburton resident June Stewart is one such participant who is now training to be a SMART instructor. Stewart says she enjoys the program because it lets people move at their own pace without pressure or embarrassment if you can't do one of the exercises.

"In other exercise groups they might move too fast, but here it's not like that. No one is intimidated in this group. Nobody would back out of this program because they make you feel so comfortable," she says.

Even if a participant can only complete

half an exercise, Therrien says any movement – from heel raises to toe taps – can go a long way in defeating muscle atrophy (the deterioration of muscle due to lack of use).

For that reason, the SMART program is considered a "move to keep moving" program that can lead to a dramatic improvement in a senior's quality of life.

"Everyone wants to be independent and live at home for as long as possible. That's our main focus, to help people keep their independence," says Therrien.

"Plus it provides a great opportunity for socialization. It's peers supporting peers. We're all sharing and learning together."

For more information on the SMART exercise program or to become a volunteer contact Melanie Therrien at (705) 745-9155 extension 6451 or email Melanie.therrien@von.ca. Sessions are \$2 each (\$30 for the full 15-week term). Classes are underway now, but new members are always welcome to join.



Lois Emmerson, Barbara Cummings and Diane Blanchard all enjoy participating in the SMART exercise program.

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Sunday morning cyclists

On Sunday morning, a group of about 20 recreational cyclists met Marie Zahab and David Zilstra at the town docks in Haliburton for a leisurely ride out to BonnieView Inn on Lake Kashagawigamog, where owner Andrea Miscio greeted them with a delicious lunch to fortify themselves before the ride back to town. The ride was intended to promote cycling as a relaxing, no-pressure activity. The ride also heralds the cycling festival on June 21.

ANDREA MISICIO/Special to The Echo



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NOTICE OF PROPOSED CHANGE IN FEES AND CHARGES FOR THE DISPOSAL OF WASTE AT THE LANDFILL SITES

DATE: Monday, June 9th, 2008.
TIME: Starting at 9:00 a.m.
LOCATION: Council Chambers in the Municipal Office,
135 Maple Avenue, Haliburton, Ontario.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Municipality of Dysart et al is considering passing a by-law at the above noted meeting to change the fees and charges imposed for the disposal of waste at the landfill sites within the Municipality as follows:

Tires off rims	\$ 5.00/passenger vehicle tire
	\$20.00/commercial truck tire
	\$ 7.00/front tractor tire
	\$25.00/rear tractor tire
	\$45.00/tire over 4 ft. diameter
Contaminated Soil	\$20.00 per cubic yard

Tammy McKelvey, A.M.C.T.,
CAO/Clerk.

NOTICE OF NAMING AND RENAMING of ALL PUBLIC/PRIVATE ROADS

TAKE NOTICE that pursuant to the Municipal Act 2001, c.25, as amended, the Dysart et al Municipal Council, at their regular meeting to be held on June 9th, 2008, will be considering a by-law to name/rename all public and private roads, as required, to accommodate the addition of one (1) private road being named Brumar Ln and the changing of one (1) of the islands' name from Redstone - Blueberry Is to Redstone - Laerg Is.

Tammy McKelvey, A.M.C.T.,
CAO/Clerk.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT MUNICIPALITY OF DYSART ET AL

DATE: Wednesday, June 11th, 2008
TIME: 11:00 am.
LOCATION: Council Chambers at the Municipal Office,
135 Maple Ave., Haliburton, Ontario.

APPLICATIONS:

1. D13-MV-08-005 – Lands of Neumann
 - Purpose and Effect: to expand an existing tourist camp located in the RU1L zone. A variance to Section 45(2)(a)(i) of the Planning Act R.S.O. 1990, c.P.13 is requested to permit the expansion of a tourist camp which has legal non-conforming status as follows:
 - a) Permit the reconstruction and expansion of a dwelling/office building.
 - b) Permit the construction of an accessory building that houses showers
 - Location: Part Lot 1, Concession 1, Harcourt Township (Brenholm Lane).
2. D13-MV-08-006 – Lands of Sinclair
 - Purpose and Effect: to permit an addition to a seasonal dwelling located in the WR4L zone. A variance to permit a seasonal dwelling to have a minimum water setback of 17.07 metres (56 feet) as opposed to the required 20 metres (65.62 feet)
 - Location: Part Lot 22, Concession 1 further described as Parts 4 and 5, Plan 19R-7837, Dysart Township (Bluehawk Lake – Bluehawk Lake Trail).
3. D13-MV-08-007 – Lands of Heads
 - Purpose and Effect: to permit the construction of a private garage located in the RR zone.
 - a) To permit a front lot line setback of 9.449 metres (31 feet) as opposed to the required 10.5 metres (34.45 feet).
 - b) To permit a street setback from County Rd 1 of 18.59 metres (61 feet) as opposed to the required 25.5 metres (83.66 feet).
 - Location: Part Lot 12, Concession 7 further described as Part 1, Plan 19R-5586 Dysart Township (County Road 1 - Gelert Rd).

ANY PERSON is entitled to attend the hearing in person to express his/her views about these applications or may be represented by counsel for that purpose. If you do not attend the hearing the Committee may proceed in your absence and you will not be entitled to any further notice of the proceedings. The Committee will accept written submissions. A copy of the decision will be sent to the applicant, the agent and to each person who has filed with the Secretary Treasurer a written request for notice of the decision.

FURTHER INFORMATION: including specific information about the zone provisions affected by each application, is available from the Planning Department at the Municipal Office during regular office hours (8:30 am to 4:30 pm, Monday to Friday) or by phoning 705-457-1740.

Date: May 27th, 2008
Patricia Martin, BES, MCIP, RPP
Secretary – Treasurer, Committee of Adjustment

\$100 reward offered for information

community news

West Guilford

Eleanor Cooper

754-2278

Lisa Packard reports on the damage done and theft of food from the West Guilford Snack Bar next to the laundromat. The incident occurred on Tuesday, May 20. Lisa is offering \$100 reward for information leading to arrest in this case.

Tickets are now on sale at the store on weekends for the draw to take place on July 1st at the West Guilford Centre for the lawn tractor-mower. Proceeds will go to the renovations and improvements of the Centre.

There is a rate schedule for use of the Community Centre. For ongoing social events such as line dancing, a minimum of eight persons it's \$15; for non-licensed

functions for a partial day it's \$80; and up to \$185 for full day of non-licensed functions. Carol Stamp at 754-2168 or Lynn Morrison at 754-2530 would be able to supply further details.

Gerald Bain was master of ceremonies at the annual Masonic Ladies Night held this year in the Curling Club in Haliburton. Jim Lee proposed the toast to the ladies which was replied to by Jean Casey. Couples from this area included Ken and Leanne Goodall, Eleanor and Jim Harrison, Sharon and Bob Barnhart as guests of Carm and Delores Lee, and ourselves, Earl and Eleanor.



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The tenders will then be opened in public on the same day at 3:00 p.m. at the Municipal Office, 135 Maple Avenue, Haliburton.

Description of Land(s):

Roll No. 46 24 010 000 09300 0000, PIN 39171-0213(LT) Part Lot 6, Concession 2, Geographic Township of Dysart, In the Municipality of Dysart et al, County of Haliburton (No. 19), Being the Lands in Instrument No. 170191: File 05-01
Minimum Tender Amount: \$32,410.82

Roll No. 46 24 020 000 21600 0000, 1036 Snowshoe Rd., Lot 61, Plan 482, Geographic Township of Dudley, In the Municipality of Dysart et al, County of Haliburton (No. 19), Subject to Easement and Restriction in Instrument No. 72126. File 06-08
Minimum Tender Amount: \$9,680.96

Tenders must be submitted in the prescribed form and must be accompanied by a deposit in the form of a money order or of a bank draft or cheque certified by a bank or trust corporation payable to the municipality (or board) and representing at least 20 per cent of the tender amount.

Except as follows, the municipality makes no representation regarding the title to or any other matters relating to the land(s) to be sold. Responsibility for ascertaining these matters rests with the potential purchasers.

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The municipality has no obligation to provide vacant possession to the successful purchaser.

Note: G.S.T. may be payable by successful purchaser.

For further information regarding this sale and a copy of the prescribed form of tender, contact:

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Future kindergarteners from the Ontario Early Years program visited Stuart Baker Elementary School on May 22 for a tour of the school. It was a chance to meet their future teachers, and, as program staffer Stephanie Black says, slowly introduce themselves to being in school. A total of 27 kids (along with their parents) joined Alison Perecko's and Marit Lapierre's kindergarten classes, who sang them a welcome-to-kindergarten song. The groups also joined in basic learning activities such as sensory skills to help ease them into what life will be like in September.

Marit Lapierre, top right, and Alison Perecko, bottom right, read to students of SBES and the Ontario Early Years Centre.
Photos by Matt James, pages 28 and 29



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Lisa Packard gets a smile of excitement from her daughter Kelsi as they enter the kindergarten class.



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- May 29: VON Foot Care Clinic starting at 9 a.m.. Located at Stanworth Court Lounge, Minden. Subsequent clinics the fourth Thurs. of the month. To book an appointment call 1-800-743-6255. Everyone Welcome.
- May 29: RCL Branch 129 Ladies Auxiliary will hold their honours and awards prior to the general meeting. A light supper will be served at 6pm. All members welcome.
- May 30: The SMART exercise program for seniors, \$2 per session. 10:30 am, Echo Hills Apartment in Haliburton and 1 pm at Hyland Crest auditorium in Minden.
- May 31: Flower Arrangement Workshop – miniatures and Pot et fleur – 10 am to 3 pm. At the Lions Hall in Minden at a cost of \$30.00 each. Bring your own lunch. Tea, coffee, and dessert will be supplied. For more info call Jessie 286-4141 or Nancy at 286-2886.
- May 31: Second Annual "Yard Sale for the Cure" - Sponsored by Remax.
- June 1: St. Paul's Anglican Church, Minden - you are welcome to join us for our worship service at 11:15 a.m. when Erin Stephen, soprano, will be our guest soloist.
- June 1: Spring Fling Fashion Show – at the Haliburton Legion, featuring fashions by Country Pickins. Door prize, draws and refreshments. All proceeds used for needed equipment for the Haliburton Hospital Site. To order tickets please call 457-3030.
- June 2-6: The Workplace Commuter Challenge, Bike or walk part or all the way to work and be eligible for prizes! Contact Sue at the Health Unit 457-1391 for more information.
- June 3: Minden & District Horticultural Society's, 7:30pm, Guest speaker Peggy Immel, Author of 'I'd Rather Be Gardening'. Speaking on "Environmentally Friendly Gardening" MINDEN COMMUNITY CENTRE. Treats of the month "Rhubarb Rhapsody". Memberships will be available at the door \$9.00 single and \$16.00 per couple. For more information call Jessie 286 4141 or Nancy 286 2886. All welcome.
- June 4: Kinmount Community Planting Day - 705-488-2635
- June 4: Learn to Geocache – Meet in Head Lake Park, Haliburton, by the fountain, 7 – 8:30 pm (max. 10 families) Register with HKPRD Health Unit, 457-1391. Geocaching is a great way for people of all ages to get out and explore by foot and by bike! Join Thom Lambert and learn the basics, including how to find caches online, use a GPS, and go seeking caches. Bring a GPS if you have one; some will be available to borrow.
- June 6: The SMART exercise program for seniors, \$2 per session. 10:30 am, Echo Hills Apartment in Haliburton and 1 pm at Hyland Crest auditorium in Minden.
- June 7: Minden Rotary Auction, Minden Community Centre starting at 5:30pm. Silent, County, Live and Looney Auctions, Dinner and a fun evening to help Minden Rotary support all of their community efforts. \$20.00 per person. Call Johanna Penfold for tickets 286-2856 or available at the Minden Times office, 2 IGA Rd., Minden.
- June 7: Burnt River Community Centre is celebrating it's 25th. anniversary of the centre on Saturday June 07/08. Horseshoe tournament starting at noon, games, face painting, prizes all start around 2:00 p.m. B.B.Q at 6:00 p.m. Social time from 5:00 p.m. - 1:00 a.m. All welcome. Call Erin @ 454-78627 for more information.
- June 7, 14, 21, 28: Kinmount Farmer's Market – Open from May 17 – October 11, every Saturday from 9am to 2 pm at the Austin Sawmill Heritage Park. Our regular vendors feature organic and locally grown produce, meats, honey, and more. We have something for everyone. Call 488-2612 for more info.
- June 10: Stretching for Cyclists – Heritage Ballet – 7:30 – 9:00 pm. Register with Lynda Shadbolt at 457-3121 (maximum 10 people). This workshop is for those riders who want some simple stretches that they can do before and after a bike ride to stretch tight muscles in the legs, neck, shoulders and wrists. No experience is necessary.
- June 11: Haliburton Highlands Genealogy Group meeting - at the Minden Hills Community Centre Common Room (enter by the rear door, please). Doors open at 6pm for Group business. The speaker at 7pm will be local author, educator and historian, Guy Scott. Guy's topic will be "The Iron Horse & the Canadian Shield" - the coming of the railway to Haliburton County. Everyone welcome. No charge. For more info please contact Gail Leach-Wunker 705-286-2225.
- June 11: Four Fresh Paths to Caring – Community Care Drop In Centre. Explore life as a series of paths in, out of and about caring relationships. This colourful, fun and interactive event renews our connection with the power of caring, presented by Carol Kilby of the GAIA Centre.
- June 12: Play and Learn at the Lloyd Watson Centre in Wilberforce – 9:30 am – 12:00 pm. Families with children 0 - 6 yrs Join us for activities, crafts, music circles, guest speakers, nutritional snack and more! Phone 286-1770 for more info or leave a message at 457-2989.
- June 12: Thursday 2 p.m. Join us, the Haliburton Stroke Support Group, in the Fireplace Lounge at Hyland Crest in Minden to meet author Peter Frost to hear his story, - Stroke, A Long, Challenging Journey- a True Story, as he reads excerpts from his book. He will share his struggle for rehabilitation from his first stroke suffered at age 49. Refreshments will be served.
- June 13: The SMART exercise program for seniors, \$2 per session. 10:30 am, Echo Hills Apartment in Haliburton and 1 pm at Hyland Crest auditorium in Minden.
- June 13: Friday: Wakami Wailers in concert with guests John Foreman & Friends 8pm
Minden Community Centre, \$10adv/\$12door
- June 14: Ontario Timberfest Championships, Minden Ontario. 16th Annual Timberfest Championships at the Fairgrounds from 9am-5pm. If you are interested in competing or having a booth please contact Klara Oyler at 286-4419 or HYPERLINK "mailto:klaraoyler@sympatico.ca"klaraoyler@sympatico.ca. Vendor space available at Timberfest 2008 June 14th at the Minden Fairgrounds. Vendor space \$25.00 for info or to book call Molly at 286-1288 (day285-3520 (evening)
- June 14: Haliburton County Fair's Famous Annual Family Beef Barbecue at S.G. Nesbitt Memorial Arena upstairs. Meet and Greet at 5pm, dinner at 6pm. Adults \$15, Seniors \$12, Children under 6 free. Come out and support a Community Event. Sponsored by the Minden Agricultural Society.
- June 14: Nashville Nights Rock 'n Country Video Dance, Minden Arena 8pm \$10adv/\$12door

Events listings are provided **FREE** for non-profit groups on a space-available basis. While we endeavour to accommodate requests for publication, we cannot guarantee that all requests for listings will appear. Requests should be faxed to The Echo at 457-3275, emailed to editor@haliburtonecho.ca, or brought in to the office. Please submit events by the Thursday prior to the requested publication date.
NOTE: This calendar is not a comprehensive listing of all events taking place in the area. Please check the classified pages, display advertising and articles appearing elsewhere in the Echo for more information on events in the Highlands. For more Ongoing Community Events please see the Weekender.

Free fun for singers and dancers this June

MEL SMITH

Wilberforce Legion br. 624

Next month we will be in for some very interesting entertainment. Join us for some fun with karaoke night on June 5 and another dance on June 21. The price of admission is free.

Every Monday evening we have open bid euchre at 7 p.m. Every Wednesday, there's open darts at 7:30 p.m. Every Thursday afternoon, play open euchre at 1 p.m., except the first Thursday, when the ladies auxiliary has its meeting and then it's on Wednesday afternoon. Every Saturday afternoon we have the Meat Draw at 3 p.m.

The ladies auxiliary and members of our branch have their Sunday brunch every second Sunday of the month, from 9 a.m. until 12 p.m. Adults: \$6, children \$3 and

children under 6 years are free. The open cribbage tournament which started last month is the second and fourth Sunday of the month and the cost is \$5 per person. Registration is at 12:30 and the games start at 1 p.m. sharp.

For your outdoor entertainment a horseshoe tournament started May 18. Registration is at 12:30 p.m. and start time is 1 p.m. sharp every second and fourth Sunday of the month. The cost is just \$5 per person. Call 448-2221 or Rick at 448-1773.

More outdoor entertainment? We have it: the Harold Floden Memorial Bass Fishing Derby on Saturday, June 28. There will be cash prizes for first, second and third place winners, and a prize table with many gifts.

Just remember, everyone is welcome to come out and join in.

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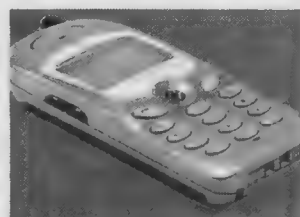
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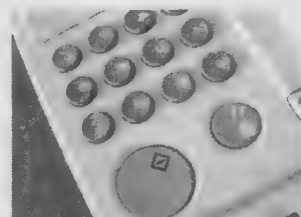
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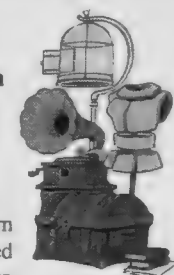
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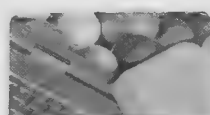
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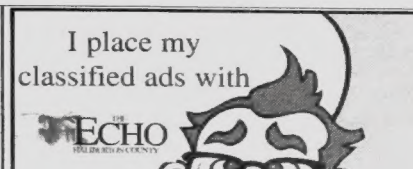
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Please send completed forms to:

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Announcements

Deaths

Deaths

Donald Rowbottom Sr.
(Resident of Wilberforce, Ontario)
At Haliburton Hospital on Tuesday evening, May 20, 2008 in his 81st year. Beloved husband of Doreen Seymour. Loving father of Susan (Mrs. Iner Musclow) of Highland Grove, Donald Jr. of Haliburton, Gail of Lindsay and Paul (Mary Ellen) of Harcourt. Lovingly remembered by his grandchildren Sara, Holly, Julia, Colin, Johnny, Joanna, Andrew, Rick and his great grandson Jon. Don was the last surviving member of his family. Predeceased by his daughter Brenda. Also lovingly remembered by his many nieces and nephews.

Visitation & Memorial Service
A Memorial Service will be held at a later date. As expressions of sympathy donations to the Canadian Lung Association or the Heart & Stroke Foundation of Ontario would be appreciated by the family. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the **HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME** 13523 Hwy. #118, Haliburton, Ontario (705)457-9209.
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Announcements

Thank You Cards

OUELLETTE - The family of the late Mirian Ouellette would like to thank the doctors and nursing staff of the Haliburton and Peterborough Hospitals for their kindness and care. Thank you to Dr. Bottum and Dr. Scott for your excellent care shown to Mirian while in the hospital.

Thank you to Community Care and the nurses that went to see Mirian. Also thank you to the ambulance attendants who took over the past several trips to the hospital. Thank you to everyone for your meals, phone calls, cards, flowers, memorial donations in Mirian's name.

- Art Ouellette and Family

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WATT - A heartfelt thank you to all you family and friends who gave us their best wishes and attended our 50th anniversary celebration and a special thank you to our daughter and sons and their families for all the love and hard work they did to make it a memorable occasion.

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Deaths

BEEBY, Lois Bartle (Wainwright) - In her 98th year, at the Bridge Street Retirement Residence, on Monday, May 19, 2008. Lois, beloved wife of the late Fred A. Beeby, daughter of the late Frank and Constance Wainwright, loving mother of Graham and Evelyn (Darcy) of Haliburton, Ont., Eric and Carolyn (Hatfield) of Vacaville, California, and Sherril and David Mitchell, of Brockville, Ont. Grandmother of Andrea & John Bronskill, Karen Cheyne, Janet & Chad Beeby-Magique, Derek Beeby and Lisa Rennie, Darren and Sandra Beeby, Danica and Ken Frederick, Trent and Karen Beeby, Paul and Meithill Mitchell, and great grandmother of 12. Dear sister of Mrs. (Joyce) Harvey Mitchell of Simcoe, Ontario. Following Mrs. Beeby's and the family's wishes, a memorial service will be held at Christ Church at a later date, and interment will follow. If desired, Remembrance Donations to Christ Church Foundation, Belleville General Hospital Foundation or the charity of your choice would be gratefully received by the family. Arrangements entrusted to the **JOHN R. BUSH FUNERAL HOME**, 80 Highland Ave., Belleville, Ont. On Line Condolences can be made at www.quintefuneralcentres.com

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BUECHLER, Albert Gustav - Passed away peacefully at Highlandwood Long Term Care, Haliburton on Thursday, May 22 in his 91st year.

Survived by his wife of 66 years Freda Emma Buechler (Nee Bartels), his daughters Carol Lee Dobbie (Dennis), Louise Sisson (Earl), Diane DeBoo (Ken and predeceased by his daughter Elizabeth (Lillibert). Loving grandfather of Warren, Tammy, Tracy, Erine, Karen, Robin, Jeff, Shay and great-grandfather to 17 great-grandchildren. Dear brother of Eric, Arthur, Betty, Dorothy and predeceased by his sister Irma.

Friends are invited to visit the family at the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd., 127 Main St., P.O. Box 427, Minden KOM2KO www.gordonmonkfuneralhome.com on Sunday afternoon from 2-5 p.m. Funeral Service in the chapel on Monday, May 26, 2008 at 1:00 p.m. Cremation to follow. Reception will be held in the family centre at the funeral home.

Memorial Donations to the Heart & Stroke Foundation or the Canadian Diabetes Association would be appreciated by the family.

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Deaths

SHAYER, Walter Edmond - WW II Veteran, United Empire Loyalists) Passed away suddenly as a result of an accident on Wednesday, May 14, 2008 in his 83rd year.

Dearly beloved husband of the late Frances Myers (2006). Beloved father of Thora Fideau, Dannyboy Shaver, and Terry Anthony Shaver. Loving grandfather of many grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Private Family Arrangements.
Cremation has taken place.

Memorial Donations to the Heart & Stroke Foundation would be appreciated by the family and can be arranged through the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd., P.O. Box 427, Minden, KOM 2KO www.gordonmonkfuneralhome.com

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Card of thanks

HARRISON - The family of the late Betty Harrison would like to thanks everybody for their thoughts and prayers during Betty's illness and passing.

Special thanks to Linda Kellett and Joan Chappell for all their support and compassion for Betty and the family.

Thank you to all the friends, relatives and neighbours who's thoughts, donations and assistance has helped us through this trying time.

Thank you to Rev. Max Ward, Katherine Kellett and the Minden and United Church Choirs for a touching service.

A final thank you to Kirsten and staff at Monk's funeral home for their professionalism and assistance.

- Norm Harrison and family

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Hwy: 7.1L/100 km (40 mpg)^Δ



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NHTSA 5 Star Side Impact[‡]**CANADIAN PRICE ADJUSTMENT* OF \$2,250****2008 JEEP GRAND CHEROKEE
LIMITED 4X4 DIESEL****DRIVE MORE THAN
700 KM WITHOUT
STOPPING FOR FUEL†**

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City: 13.3L/100 km (21 mpg)^Δ
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Front and Side Impact[‡]**CANADIAN PRICE ADJUSTMENT* OF \$6,200****2008 DODGE RAM
1500 QUAD CAB®
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Prime lot & prime location! 123' of beautiful sand & rock shoreline. 3.56 acres. Older traditional style cottage at water's edge plus sleeping cabin. Enjoy good of cottaging or build your dream home. Close to town, tranquil view & more! Call Troy & Linda.



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\$349,000!!
PRIME NEW 440 FT. SAND & SUNSETS

Beautiful & much envied Eagle Lake. A very large private new prime lakefront lot ready for your custom 4 season home. Call Peter now to discuss custom building plans for this summer. Call Peter Brady.

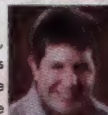


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GULL LAKE

Great back lot on prestigious Gull Lake, close to 66 ft. road allowance that gives you access to the lake, and a view of the lake from the lot. Call for more information. Call Geoff Bunn.



Geoff Bunn • Ext 242 • 457-1011

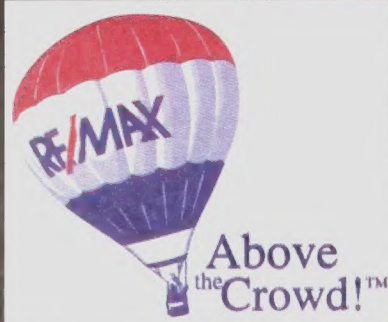


\$339,000

Enjoy beautiful sunsets with this 3 bdrm cottage complete with sauna and 100' of frontage on Glamor Lake. A sand and rock shoreline provide excellent swimming. Check this one out! Call Terry Carr.



Terry Carr • Ext 236 • 457-1011



\$209,000

Gull River: A short distance up from Gull Lake. A delightful 3 bdrm. cottage, 4 pc. bath, w/o master, Canac kitchen, FP airtight, main floor dry, new roof, freshly painted, level lot, hard sand w/shallow entry, completely winterized & 2 km to Minden. Call Fred Chapple



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\$489,900
PRISTINE REDSTONE LAKE

Original family-owned 5 bdrm cottage on a generous, well treed lot, offers outstanding view and swimming with 150' of exp. south-facing waterfront. Great family space inside adorned by a true Redstone fireplace evokes traditional comfort. Wrap-around deck at water's edge, main floor, 2 car garage, workshop/wood shed make for a truly enjoyable vacation experience! Call Andrea & Deb.



Andrea Wilson & Deb Deremo • Ext 239 • 457-1011



\$249,900
RIVERFRONT PARADISE!

This secluded setting features a very well maintained 3 bdrm home w/vaulted eaves in the LR/KT/DR area as well as a w/o to deck & loads of windows overlooking the river. Also includes full w/o basement! Enjoy peace, quietness yet convenience with Minden only 10 mins away. Over 800' on the river is the real bonus! Call today for a personal viewing. Call Vince Duchene

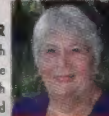


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\$389,000

NEARLY 2 ACRES OF LAND ON THE WATER
360' on Paradise Lake, 2 bdrm cottage, winterized with great view of the lake. Ultimate privacy. Has a storage shed, single car garage or workshop, and well treed with pine trees & other evergreens. End of road, short road plowed to next door. Call Madeline Doyle.



Madeline Doyle • 457-1011



\$375,000
A MUST TO SEE!

A four season waterfront home on Bear Lake, just 20 minutes from Wilberforce. Built in 1977, this 3 bdrm home/cottage features an open concept, master bedroom with walkout to deck, some parquet flooring, sunroom with walkout to deck, stone fireplace, black basement with walkout to north facing 10x25' deck, bunkie & detached double car garage with large lot. This beautiful setting on a mature lot shows pride of ownership. Call Rick & Iona



Rick Forget & Iona Fevreau • 448-2222



\$334,900
TWELVE MILE LAKE

This immaculate & well maintained home offers a carport, 3 season sunroom, hardwood floors, newer carpet, a jacuzzi tub, and western exposure. This level lot provides easy access in both winter & summer. Just across the quiet country road & down few stairs is a lovely beach located on a very popular 3 lake chain. Call Lenor Fulton



Lenor Fulton • Ext 23 • 286-2911



\$1,470,000
REDSTONE LAKE

Almost 3 ac of privacy with 175 ft. of fabulous frontage on Redstone Lk. This post & beam year-round dream home or getaway has a river rock lip, soaring cathedral ceilings and fiddlehead windows. Rich granite & custom cherry cupboards along with pine & granite tile add warmth & charm. This 4 bdrm, 3 bath home is the ultimate living experience. Call Marilyn



Marilyn Hawley • Ext 237 • 457-1011



\$498,000
MAPLE LAKE - STEEPCCHASE DR.

Fabulous big lake view with western vistas. Miles of boating on this 3 lake chain. Level lot with safe, sandy beach. Featuring 3 bedrooms, full finished walk out basement, spectacular sunroom, detached garage, 3 baths & much more. Immaculate throughout. A must see! Call Bill Kulas



Bill Kulas • Ext 44 • 286-2911



\$564,000
BEAUTIFUL HALIBURTON LAKE!

3 B.R./4 season cottage/home w/in basement, double car/2 story garage, 11'x11' garden shed on gently sloping, gorgeous style lot. Fabulous view and deep shoreline w/20' of beach, deck and ramp (2007). Features include oak kitchen cupboards & island with granite counter tops, pantry, pine vaulted ceilings, 22'x11'6" year-round sunroom, 3 free standing propane f.p.s. 44'x12' lin. Family room w/walkout, HEATED/CARPETED, maintained. Sellers relocating! Visit MLS.ca for pics! M54A6240500027800 Call Debra Lambie



Debra Lambie • Ext 244 • 457-1011



\$579,700
KENESIS LAKE

Spectacular view, gently elevated property. 1800 sq ft, attached dbl garage, hardwood, country kitchen, fireplace, view, 100' sandy shoreline. New steel roof, back deck, skylights & interior paint. Call Cathy Lancia

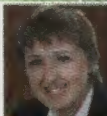


Cathy Lancia • 754-3358



GLAMOR LAKE!

Lovingly cared for 3 bedroom insulated cottage with extras. Western sunset, level lot and a stream on property line. Call Lynda Litwin.



Lynda Litwin • Ext 35 • 286-2911



\$425,000
BOSHUNG LAKE

Have you been looking for a pure child friendly sand beach that just happens to be facing west do you can enjoy the most romantic sunsets over a humongous lake view, maybe this is it! Lovely, bright & spacious 2 bdrm cottage with a brand new septic in '06 to accommodate 2 additional bdrms. Also included is 11.38 ac owned in common with others on road. Call Denise LeBlanc



Denise LeBlanc • Ext 33 • 286-2911



\$118,950
GREAT STARTER OR RETIREMENT!

Near Haliburton and Minden. Country lot with perennial flower beds, horsehoe pit and nice trees. 2 bdrm, lots of pine finishing, wood lining & cozy wood stove. Oil forced air furnace and electric system recently serviced. Next to snowmobile and quad trails, plus 1.5 garage and large workshop! Call Richard Moritz



Richard Moritz • 448-1291



\$154,500

Great starter home in the village of Eagle Lake. Features bright, spacious rooms, new laminate flooring, new pellet stove, full unfinished basement and double detached garage on a well treed level lot. Close to Sir Sam's Ski area & walking distance to beach and all amenities. Call Erin Nicholls

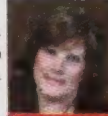


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OUTSTANDING PROPERTY!

Spectacular lot features sunsets & sunshine. Year round access! 300' riverfront. 4 season sunroom. 3 bedrooms, open concept interior. 2 sheds/bunkies, workshop. Call Karen Nimigon.



Karen Nimigon • Ext 224 • 457-1011



\$429,000
DRAG LAKE COTTAGE!

Winterized 1986 sq ft. Cottage or home, h/dwd flooring, propane FP, 3 bdrms, master with w/o lakeview deck, large sunroom facing Drag Lake, detached garage, year round municipal road, mins to town! Call Marj & John



Marj Hunter & John Parish • Ext 226 • 457-1011



\$798,500
REDSTONE LAKE - DRIFTWOOD BAY

A unique property offering superior privacy on 8.65 acres in a natural Algonquin-type setting, with 536' of pristine clear granite shoreline. This 3 bdrm contemporary chalet has vaulted ceilings, pine plank flooring, a lakeside wall of glass, huge decking, plus a bunkie. Close to ski hill. Call Elizabeth Thompson



Elizabeth Thompson • Ext 248 • 457-1011

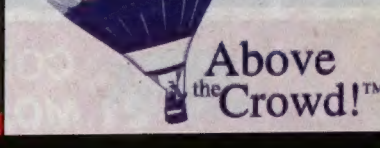


\$475,000
LITTLE REDSTONE LAKE

Natural pine Vicerey 3 cottage - w/out living room tastefully finished pine - w/out master bedroom to deck. Kitchen with separate dining area. 4 pc. bath, w/out perimeter foundation. 150' of shoreline. Western exposure. Year round municipal road. Call Ted Vasey



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